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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Davis-Bacon Certified Payroll

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting the Wage and Hour Division (WHD) sponsored information collection request (ICR) titled, “Davis-Bacon Certified Payroll,” to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval for continued use, without change, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq. Public comments on the ICR are invited.

DATES: The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free of charge from the RegInfo.gov Web site at http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=201411-1235-001 (this link will only become active on the day following publication of this notice) or by contacting Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129, TTY 202-693-8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or by email at DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

Submit comments about this request by mail or courier to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL-WHD, Office of

Management and Budget, Room 10235, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20503;
by Fax: 202-395-5806 (this is not a toll-free number); or by email:

OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov. Commenters are encouraged, but not required, to
send a courtesy copy of any comments by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of
Labor-OASAM, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attn: Departmental Information
Compliance Management Program, Room N1301, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20210; or by email: DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-
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AUTHORITY: 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This ICR seeks to extend PRA authority for the
Davis-Bacon Certified Payroll information collection. The Copeland Act requires
contractors and subcontractors performing work on federally financed or assisted
construction contracts to furnish weekly a statement with respect to the wages paid each
employee during the preceding week. See 40 U.S.C. 3145(a); 29 CFR 3.3(b).

Regulations 29 CFR 5.5 (a)(3)(ii)(A) requires contractors to submit weekly a copy of all
payrolls to the Federal agency contracting for or financing the construction project, if the
agency is a party to the contract, accompanied by a signed Statement of Compliance
indicating that the payrolls are correct and complete and that each laborer or mechanic
has been paid not less than the proper Davis-Bacon prevailing wage rate for the work
performed. See 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(ii)(B). The DOL has developed optional use Form
WH-347, Payroll Form, to aide contractors and subcontractors performing work on

federally financed or assisted construction contracts in meeting weekly payroll reporting requirements. See 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(ii)(A); see also, 29 CFR 3.3(b). Properly filled out, this form will satisfy the requirements of Regulations 29 CFR parts 3 and 5 as to payrolls submitted in connection with contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts. Copeland Act section 2 authorizes this information collection. See 40 U.S.C. 3145(a).

Consistent with the development of additional tools to increase transparency in the accounting of information collection burdens across Federal agencies, the DOL seeks for the Davis-Bacon Certified Payroll to be designated a common form that may be used by all Federal agencies. This designation will not change the collection, except that the burdens associated with the ICR would be apportioned to each contracting agency, in accordance with its use of certified payrolls, instead of all burdens being allocated to the DOL.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control Number 1235-0008.

OMB authorization for an ICR cannot be for more than three (3) years without renewal, and the current approval for this collection is scheduled to expire on January 31, 2015. The DOL seeks to extend PRA authorization for this information collection for

three (3) more years, without any change to existing requirements. The DOL notes that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the Federal Register on June 9, 2014 (79 FR 33001).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the ADDRESSES section within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice in the Federal Register. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1235-0008. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: DOL-WHD.

Title of Collection: Davis-Bacon Certified Payroll.

OMB Control Number: 1235-0008.

Affected Public: Private Sector—businesses or other for-profits.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 89,498.

Total Estimated Number of Responses: 8,233,816.

Total Estimated Annual Time Burden: 7,684,895 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$1,086,863.

Dated: November 14, 2014.

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Departmental Clearance Officer.

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